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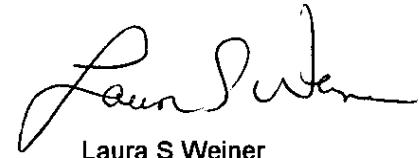
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EP 1 309 028 and EP 1 205 995 cannot be used as references because these references do not have dates before the filing date of the application of August 31 2001. EP 0 509 588 and US 4,502,934 do not teach the claimed invention.



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